

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

09/954,719

Examiner

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Applicant(s)

BAIR ET AL.

Art Unit

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 05/31/2008.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-5, 27-35 and 50.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

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Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2162

DETAILED ACTION

1. This is in response to Applicant's arguments filed 05/31/2007.

The following is the status of claims:

Claims 6-26, 36-49 and 51-55 have been canceled.

Claims 1-5, 27-35 and 50 remain pending for examination.

The petition filed on 09/24/2007 is acknowledged.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments filed on 05/31/2007 with respect to claims 1-5, 27-35 and 50 have been fully considered and are persuasive. Therefore, the rejection of last Office action has been withdrawn.

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Claims 1-5, 27-35 and 50 are allowed over the prior art of record.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

With respect to claims 1 and 27, the claimed features "the added fact table row containing the URL and referencing, for each attribute for which an attribute value was extracted, a row corresponding to the attribute value in a dimension table of the dimension model corresponding to the attribute" in conjunction with other elements of the independent claims would not found anticipated or obvious over the prior art made of record.

The dependent claims, being definite, further limiting, and fully enabled by the specification are also allowed.

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The closest prior art, Bair et al., US Patent No. 6,233,573 relates to a system and method selects records from a fact table of a dimensional database.

Bair et al., US Patent No. 6,003,024 relates to a system and method selects records from a fact table of a dimensional database.

Jones, US Patent No. 6,256,623 relates to graphic element or a frame displayed by a browser which provides access to web-based search services.

Eyal et al., US Patent No. 7,010,537 relates to a search engine returns a response to a query of a user. Rather than provide the result as a compilation of selectable links, a page for a first link specified in the result is rendered for the user.

Mills, US Patent No. 6,466,940 relates to methods of automatically building searchable databases of classified information derived from web pages posted on a network but fail to teach the above limitations.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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CONTACT INFORMATION

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to JEAN B. FLEURANTIN whose telephone number is 571 – 272-4035. The examiner can normally be reached on 7:05 to 4:35.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, JOHN E BREENE can be reached on 571 – 272-4107. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-308-6606.

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